

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION BILL, FISCAL YEAR 1928

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REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 16863]

The Committee on Appropriations submit the following report in explanation of the accompanying bill making appropriations for the legislative branch of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928:

SCOPE OF THE BILL

The bill embraces regular annual appropriations for the Senate and House of Representatives and those joint services and activities which have heretofore, by law or custom, been classified as a part of the "legislative establishment."

The activities of the Government for which appropriations are made in the accompanying bill are as follows:

- (1) The Senate.
- (2) The House of Representatives.
- (3) The Capitol Police.
- (4) The Joint Committee on Printing.
- (5) The Office of Legislative Counsel.
- (6) The Architect of the Capitol.
- (7) The Botanic Garden.
- (8) The Library of Congress.
- (9) The Government Printing Office.

A detailed tabulation will be found at the end of this report giving for each appropriation in this bill, the amount appropriated for the fiscal year 1927, the estimates for the fiscal year 1928, and the amount recommended in the bill for 1928, together with a statement of the increases or decreases in appropriations and estimates as compared with the amounts carried in the bill.

APPROPRIATIONS AND ESTIMATES

The estimates upon which the bill is based were transmitted by the President in the Budget and will be found in detail in Chapter I of that document, pages 1 to 27, inclusive. Supplemental estimates were also transmitted to Congress by the President subsequently to the forwarding of the annual Budget. The President's duty in transmitting to Congress the estimates for the legislative branch is purely a ministerial one under the law. The estimates as received and transmitted by him are the same in amount and form as those which were presented to him by the proper officials of the legislative branch charged with their original preparation and submission.

The total of the estimates considered by the committee in the preparation of the bill is \$16,428,970.76. This sum is composed of \$16,174,188.76 submitted in the Budget in December, and \$254,782 transmitted subsequently in House Documents Nos. 589, 627, 656, and 672 of the present session as supplemental estimates.

The amount recommended to be appropriated in the accompanying bill is \$16,382,429.56. This sum, compared with the appropriations for 1927 and the estimates for 1928, shows the following differences:

It is \$1,451,690.01 less than the 1927 appropriations; and

It is \$46,541.20 less than the estimates.

In connection with the apparent reduction of \$1,451,690.01 under the 1927 appropriations, it should be recalled that two very large items in the 1927 appropriations are completed projects for that year and do not appear for 1928. These items are \$1,331,958.37 for completion of the acquisition of land for the extension of the Capitol Grounds and \$400,000 for the completion of the additional book-stack structure in the court of the Library of Congress. The two aggregate \$1,731,958.37 and when eliminated from the comparisons with 1927 appropriations, the bill for 1928 shows an actual increase over 1927 of \$280,268.36. The items occasioning this increase will be referred to and explained in detail in connection with the activities to which they relate.

SENATE

The officers and employees of the Senate are carried in the amounts and in the numbers provided for the present fiscal year, except for the larger amount required for session employees on account of the longer term of their employment during the first session of the Seventieth Congress.

The amounts for contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the Senate are continued for the same purposes and in the same sums as are provided for the current year.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The officers and employees of the House are carried in the amounts and in the numbers provided for the present fiscal year with the following exceptions:

A larger amount is provided for the pay of session employees on account of the longer term of their employment during the first session of the Seventieth Congress.

The House at the last session adopted a number of resolutions increasing the pay of certain employees effective upon the date of adoption of the resolutions and stipulating also that the increases should remain in operation until otherwise provided by law. The increases have been in effect since the adoption of the resolutions, most of them being paid from the contingent fund of the House until appropriations could be provided to continue them. The number of each resolution, the date of its adoption, the positions affected, and the amount of the annual increase included in this bill to give effect to the resolutions, are as follows:

Position	Number of resolution	Date of resolution	Annual increase
1 clerk to Speaker's table	202	Apr. 22, 1926	\$400
1 clerk, Committee on Accounts	202	do	420
1 clerk, Committee on Claims	202	do	420
1 clerk, Committee on Immigration and Naturalization	316	July 3, 1926	520
1 clerk, Committee on Interstate Commerce	273	do	420
1 clerk, Committee on the Judiciary	202	Apr. 22, 1926	420
1 clerk, Committee on Rules	207	July 2, 1926	520
1 clerk, Committee on Ways and Means	202	Apr. 22, 1926	600
Office of Sergeant at Arms:			
2 bookkeepers, each	316	July 3, 1926	360
1 deputy in charge of pairs	200	do	350
1 pair clerk	200	do	350
Office of Doorkeeper:			
1 chief janitor	207	July 2, 1926	360
1 floor manager of telephones (majority)	151	do	480
1 floor manager of telephones (minority)	151	do	480
1 superintendent of document room	202	Apr. 22, 1926	450
1 assistant superintendent	242	July 2, 1926	420
Special and minority employees:			
Joel Grayson	202	Apr. 22, 1926	560
6 minority employees, each	200	July 3, 1926	350

Total number of employees affected, 24.
Total annual rate of increase, \$9,990.

The committee is recommending a rearrangement of positions and salaries of assistant clerks of its own force authorized under the act of May 24, 1924. Under that act and the current appropriation act the committee is provided with one assistant clerk at \$4,000, six assistant clerks at \$3,000 each, and one assistant clerk at \$2,440. There is recommended in the bill in lieu of this organization, one assistant clerk at \$4,500, five assistant clerks at \$3,300 each, and one assistant clerk at \$2,700. The readjustment will provide for one less position than is now authorized and appropriated for and a decrease of \$740 in the total of the appropriations for the positions affected. This is brought about by the abolition of one position at \$2,440 and a reduction in the annual rate of one position from \$3,000 to \$2,700 and will permit of the increase in compensation of \$500 in one position and \$300 in each of the five remaining positions. In further explanation of the recommended changes, attention is invited to the statement of Chairman Madden before the subcommittee found on page 22 of the hearings.

Provision is also made for the employment of Norman E. Ives, special expert examiner for the Committee on Invalid Pensions, at \$2,400 in accordance with the provisions of House Resolution 153, adopted July 2, 1926.

The sum of \$11,652 is recommended to continue the work commenced at the last session with the appropriation of \$7,500 for the employment of services in the compilation and codification of the

laws relating to the District of Columbia. The work is being conducted under the direction of the Committee on Revision of the Laws under a memorandum of agreement for the completed task in 18 months at a total cost of \$25,000. A further appropriation of \$5,848 will be necessary after this year to complete it. Of the sum of \$11,652 recommended, \$1,652 is made immediately available to enable progress payments to be made. In connection with this item attention is invited to the statement of Hon. R. G. Fitzgerald, chairman of the Committee on Revision of the Laws, appearing on page 28 of the hearings.

A clerk to the official reporters of debates at \$2,750 per annum is provided in accordance with House Resolution 339, adopted January 8, 1927.

The appropriations for contingent expenses remain in the same amounts as for the current year with two exceptions. The appropriation for furniture includes a fourth installment of \$10,000 for reconstruction of office cabinets in the House Office Building and for the conversion of roll-top desks into flat-top desks. A survey of floor coverings in rooms of the House Office Building under the direction of the Clerk of the House discloses that approximately 250 floor coverings have been in service since the building was first occupied, 20 years ago. To provide replacements in every case would require between \$35,000 and \$40,000. The committee is recommending the reappropriation of an unexpended balance in the contingent fund for expenses of special and select committees, estimated to be approximately \$25,000, to be expended toward these replacements during the next fiscal year.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL

The unexpended balance of the 1927 appropriation, estimated at approximately \$2,600, is recommended to be reappropriated for 1928 in connection with the customary annual appropriation of \$50,000. The reappropriation of this amount will permit the continuance of the present forces of the Senate and House sections.

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

The appropriations under the jurisdiction of the Architect of the Capitol for the maintenance and repair of the Capitol Building, House and Senate Office Buildings, Library of Congress Building, and the Capitol power plant are carried in approximately the same amounts as for the current year with the exceptions of special amounts included for unusual items of repair or improvement which are hereinafter referred to. Some changes are effected in the phraseology of several of the items, the purpose, except where otherwise noted, being to make more clear the purposes for which the funds are to be used and not with the view of broadening unusually the scope of the contemplated expenditures.

The sum of \$23,200 of the appropriation for the Capitol Building is made immediately available for painting the exterior of the dome and central portion of the building. This section of the building was painted in 1917 and again in 1922 and the item recommended is the customary five-year repainting. The area to be covered is

approximately 63,000 square yards and the cost is slightly more than the amount expended in 1917 and slightly less than the amount similarly used in 1922.

For the Capitol Grounds, in addition to customary items of maintenance of grounds and replacements of walks and pavements, provision is made for snow removal from walks and pavements within the Capitol Grounds without reference to existing laws relating to contracts or advertising. Experience in attempting to secure formal contracts for snow removal has resulted in only one bid in 1925 and one in 1926 and the prices specified in such bids, in the judgment of the architect, are exorbitant. It is the belief of the architect that with authority to negotiate for the hire of men and teams or to employ a contractor without reference to existing statutes requiring advertising and awards, that the emergency work of snow removal can be accomplished at a lower figure than would otherwise obtain. The amount expended for such purposes in the fiscal year 1926 was \$2,197.77.

The sum of \$20,000 is recommended to enable the architect to remove or provide for the removal of such of the buildings on the extension of the Capitol Grounds as are not occupied by Government activities. The area acquired for the extension, comprising approximately 60 acres, is occupied by dwellings, the Government hotels, and a number of other structures. The fund provided will enable the architect to remove or to contract for the removal of such of these buildings as are not now occupied by any Government activity or as may be vacated by any Government activity during the fiscal year, and will also permit of the engagement of expert services for the preparation of plans looking to the development of that area as a permanent extension of the Capitol Grounds.

The item for the House Office Building, in addition to customary maintenance expenses, provides \$12,000 for replacing a portion of the copper roof. At the time of the raising of the building to provide space on the fifth floor, the old copper was used in restoring the roof on the court sides of the building. Heavy expenses in repairing this portion of the roof due to continued expansion and contraction have rendered it advisable to renew that portion.

The two items for the Capitol power plant have been consolidated into a single item at approximately the same sum as for the current year. Provision is made to permit expenditures of approximately \$30,000 and \$10,000, respectively, for bins for coal and ash storage, the amounts to be used from receipts from sale of current and steam to other Government activities. Approximately 40,000 tons of coal are consumed each year in the plant and it is believed that a storage bin of approximately 2,000 tons of coal will provide the necessary safeguard of a continuous supply and prevent congestion in trackage facilities.

The sum of \$210,000 is recommended for the purchase of a new 5,000-kilowatt turbine for the power plant and for repairs to one of the existing turbines and the generators in substations. The present equipment consists of four turbines guaranteed to run 2,250 kilowatts. The load on these machines has recently been as high as 2,350 kilowatts. The load on the plant has increased from 8,000,000 kilowatts in 1921 and 1922 to 16,000,000 kilowatts in 1926, due to furnishing

current to other Government activities within range of the plant. The present generating machinery was installed when the plant was built approximately 20 years ago. Two of the four turbines have recently been repaired and placed in good condition. The committee recommends the replacement of one of the 2,250-kilowatt turbines with the 5,000-kilowatt turbine and the repair of the fourth turbine for standby use. A study of the present plant was made in 1925 by a firm of qualified power plant engineers and the Architect in the present recommendation has received the assistance of the engineers of the Bureau of Mines. It was stated to the committee that in consideration of the increased load to come to the plant on account of the new Supreme Court building, the new addition to the Government Printing Office building, and the continued increase in the amount of current consumed by the Government Printing Office in manufacturing operations, that the most economical step to take at this time is the installation of the larger turbine rather than to make expensive temporary rehabilitations of the present turbine.

For the Library Building, a general mechanic at \$1,800 and two laborers at \$1,020 each are recommended on account of the new bookstack building in the northeast court of the building. In addition to the current repair item for the building, extraordinary items are included which provide \$800 for repairs to skylights, \$3,000 for altering and repairing pipe lines and improving heating and ventilating systems due to the erection of the new stack, \$2,000 for a marquee for the east entrance to the building where there is now no overhead protection from the weather, and \$2,500 for renewal and replacement of fire hose and extinguishers. The items of \$5,000 for refinishing desks and \$2,000 for additional steel cases are eliminated. An additional amount of \$12,000 is recommended for card catalogue cases for the main reading room.

BOTANIC GARDEN

The amounts for the Botanic Garden are recommended in the sums for the current year with the exception of \$1,873 increase under salaries to care for promotions in accordance with the classification act and \$500 under the general maintenance fund, bringing the total for 1928 for all expenses of the Botanic Garden to \$127,217. The committee has eliminated \$10,000 from the maintenance estimate and \$7,090 for additional positions from the salary estimate. Of the amount eliminated from maintenance, \$8,000 is deducted from the sum for rebuilding greenhouses, \$1,000 from the item for new stock, and \$1,000 from the item for roads in the nurseries. The committee is of the opinion that further development of the Botanic Garden must await final approval of the plans now being worked out for the relocation and expansion thereof.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

The estimates for the Library presented the following increases in personnel and compensation:

	Reallo- cations	Increased pay	New positions	
			Num- ber	Amount
Library proper.....	\$2,760	\$17,060	26	\$32,340
Copyright office.....	4,140	4,660	1	660
Legislative reference.....	360	1,760	-----	(1);
Card division.....	360	2,820	1	2,400
Building.....	-----	2,500	10	10,200
Total.....	7,620	28,800	38	45,600

¹ Increase of \$10,000 for piecework recommended.

The committee recommends the amounts for reallocations approved by the Personnel Classification Board and the sum for increases in compensation in accordance with the classification act and efficiency ratings, the amount submitted by the Librarian being on the basis of a single advance in grades where justified.

Of the additional personnel requested, the committee has allowed 29 positions, aggregating \$34,620, distributed as follows:

Library proper:	
1 custodian, rare book collection.....	\$2,400
2 assistants, at \$1,860 each (reading rooms).....	3,720
10 assistants, at \$1,140 each (reading rooms).....	11,400
2 assistants, at \$900 each (reading rooms).....	1,800
1 assistant (music division).....	1,140
1 assistant (room for blind).....	900
Copyright office, 1 messenger.....	660
Card division, 1 assistant.....	2,400
Building:	
4 guards, at \$1,200 each.....	4,800
4 laborers, at \$900 each.....	3,600
2 elevator conductors, at \$900 each.....	1,800
Total (29).....	34,620

Of the foregoing positions, a total of 24—14 in the reading room and 10 for the building—are on account of the new stack which will go into commission this year.

The committee has eliminated from the estimates 9 positions, totaling \$10,980, as follows:

1 assistant custodian, rare book collection.....	\$1,860
1 supervisor of stacks.....	1,860
4 assistants in reading rooms, at \$1,140 each.....	4,560
2 assistants in reading rooms, at \$900 each.....	1,800
1 assistant (music division).....	900
Total (9).....	10,980

The increase of \$10,000 for employees engaged on piecework in the card division is due to increasing sales of cards to libraries throughout the country. The revenue from this source during the last fiscal year was \$161,000, making the service slightly more than self-sustaining.

The amount for increase of the Library for purchase of books, manuscripts, etc., is increased from \$95,000 to \$105,000. The appropriation for this purpose has not been increased for many years, notwithstanding the great increase in the price of the material to be obtained. The Librarian stated to the committee that owing to

increased prices, the volume of material which can be acquired with the present appropriation is about one-half of what was acquired with the same amount of money in 1913. The committee recommends the increase of \$10,000 so that advantage may be taken by the Librarian of opportunities to acquire material which should be added from time to time to the Library collections.

The committee has eliminated the increase of \$10,000 in the printing and binding funds, believing that the increased costs of printing are not sufficient to justify enlarging the amount and also believing that some economies may be effected in the printing of annual reports and other material.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Appropriations for the Government Printing Office customarily carried in this bill are recommended in the same amounts except for the following:

The separate paragraph heretofore carried for the office of the Public Printer is merged with the fund for the working capital and carried there with a limitation on expenditure which is the same as the appropriation for the current year. A proposal was presented to the committee to take from under the classification act those employees covered thereunder in the Government Printing Office, approximately 400, and place them for salary-fixing purposes under the Kiess Act with the remainder of the force, numbering approximately 3,700. The committee is unable to find in the Kiess Act any definite expression of application of that act to the portion of employees which prior to that act were included under and paid according to the classification act. The pay status, therefore, of employees remains as it is for the current year with the two acts applicable as they have been in the past.

By the merger of the appropriation for the office of Public Printer with the fund for working capital there is a decrease in total of \$56,453, which is not a decrease in expenditure. The merger of the two funds permits a reduction in the amount of working capital without any corresponding appreciable decrease in actual expenditure.

Under the office of Superintendent of Documents there is a decrease of \$8,400 in printing expenses and other miscellaneous items and an increase of \$37,950 in the appropriation for salaries. The turnover in the force of 275 persons in this office is estimated for the current year at approximately 100, more than one-third. The committee believes that the application of this amount in accordance with the classification act will help reduce this turnover and bring about a more satisfactory employment situation.

LEGISLATIVE ESTABLISHMENT APPROPRIATION BILL, FISCAL YEAR, 1928

A comparative statement of the appropriations for 1927, the Budget estimates for 1928, and the amounts recommended in the accompanying bill for 1928

Object	Appropriations for 1927	Estimates for 1928	Amount recom- mended in the bill for 1928	Increase (+) or de- crease (—), bill com- pared with 1927 appropriations	Increase (+) or de- crease (—), bill com- pared with 1928 Budget estimates
SENATE					
Senators:					
Salaries of	\$960, 000. 00	\$960, 000. 00	\$960, 000. 00	-----	-----
Mileage of	51, 000. 00	51, 000. 00	51, 000. 00	-----	-----
Vice President's office, salaries.....	10, 050. 00	10, 050. 00	10, 050. 00	-----	-----
Chaplain	1, 520. 00	1, 520. 00	1, 520. 00	-----	-----
Secretary's office, salaries.....	102, 620. 00	102, 620. 00	102, 620. 00	-----	-----
Document room, salaries.....	14, 060. 00	14, 060. 00	14, 060. 00	-----	-----
Committees, salaries of employees.....	373, 440. 00	373, 440. 00	373, 440. 00	-----	-----
Senators' clerks, etc.....	602, 820. 00	602, 820. 00	602, 820. 00	-----	-----
Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, office of:					
Salaries (including \$188.10 in second deficiency act).....	204, 746. 90	211, 003. 70	211, 003. 70	+\$6, 256. 80	-----
Senate Office Building police force.....	23, 280. 00	23, 280. 00	23, 280. 00	-----	-----
Post office, salaries.....	21, 290. 00	21, 290. 00	21, 290. 00	-----	-----
Folding room, salaries.....	22, 340. 00	22, 340. 00	22, 340. 00	-----	-----

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SENATE—continued					
Contingent expenses:					
Stationery -----	\$25, 000. 00	\$25, 000. 00	\$25, 000. 00	-----	-----
Postage for officers of the Senate-----	300. 00	300. 00	300. 00	-----	-----
Motor vehicles for the mails-----	10, 000. 00	10, 000. 00	10, 000. 00	-----	-----
Automobile for Vice President, main- tenance-----	3, 500. 00	3, 500. 00	3, 500. 00	-----	-----
Folding speeches—					
Material for-----	1, 500. 00	1, 500. 00	1, 500. 00	-----	-----
Labor for-----	10, 000. 00	10, 000. 00	10, 000. 00	-----	-----
Fuel, oil, etc-----	2, 000. 00	2, 000. 00	2, 000. 00	-----	-----
Furniture—					
Purchase of-----	5, 000. 00	5, 000. 00	5, 000. 00	-----	-----
Materials and repair-----	3, 000. 00	3, 000. 00	3, 000. 00	-----	-----
Labor and repairing-----	2, 000. 00	2, 000. 00	2, 000. 00	-----	-----
Packing boxes-----	970. 00	970. 00	970. 00	-----	-----

Rent of warehouse for documents-----	2, 000. 00	2, 000. 00	2, 000. 00	-----	-----
Miscellaneous items-----	125, 000. 00	125, 000. 00	125, 000. 00	-----	-----
Inquiries and investigations-----	150, 000. 00	150, 000. 00	150, 000. 00	-----	-----
Reporting debates-----	44, 844. 00	44, 844. 00	44, 844. 00	-----	-----
Senate kitchens, repairs, supplies, etc--	35, 000. 00	35, 000. 00	35, 000. 00	-----	-----
Total, Senate-----	2, 807, 280. 90	2, 813, 537. 70	2, 813, 537. 70	+\$6, 256. 80	-----
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES					
Members and Delegates:					
Salaries-----	4, 407, 500. 00	4, 407, 500. 00	4, 407, 500. 00	-----	-----
Mileage-----	175, 000. 00	175, 000. 00	175, 000. 00	-----	-----
Speaker's office, salaries (including \$400 in second deficiency act)-----	14, 100. 00	14, 100. 00	14, 100. 00	-----	-----
Chaplain-----	1, 520. 00	1, 520. 00	1, 520. 00	-----	-----
Clerk's office, salaries-----	127, 820. 00	128, 920. 00	128, 920. 00	+1, 100. 00	-----
Committees, annual employees (includes \$1,860 in second deficiency act)-----	259, 090. 00	262, 102. 00	261, 362. 00	+2, 272. 00	-\$740. 00
Sergeant at Arms, office of, salaries-----	27, 630. 00	29, 050. 00	29, 050. 00	+1, 420. 00	-----
House Office Building police force-----	27, 360. 00	27, 360. 00	27, 360. 00	-----	-----
Doorkeeper's office, salaries (includes \$885.90 in second deficiency act)-----	206, 760. 70	219, 358. 90	220, 647. 70	+13, 887. 00	+1, 288. 80
Special and minority employees (includes \$560 in second deficiency act)-----	41, 637. 40	43, 742. 16	43, 742. 16	+2, 104. 76	-----

¹ Includes \$11,652 in H. Doc. 589.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—continued					
Post Office:					
Salaries.....	\$62, 290. 00	\$62, 290. 00	\$62, 290. 00	-----	-----
Mail-carrying vehicles.....	3, 400. 00	3, 400. 00	3, 400. 00	-----	-----
Official reporters.....	49, 340. 00	52, 090. 00	52, 090. 00	+\$2, 750. 00	-----
Committee stenographers.....	25, 220. 00	25, 220. 00	25, 220. 00	-----	-----
Members and Delegates, clerk hire for.....	1, 760, 000. 00	1, 760, 000. 00	1, 760, 000. 00	-----	-----
Contingent expenses:					
Materials for folding.....	5, 000. 00	5, 000. 00	5, 000. 00	-----	-----
Furniture and repairs to furniture.....	38, 000. 00	38, 000. 00	38, 000. 00	-----	-----
Packing boxes.....	4, 500. 00	4, 500. 00	4, 500. 00	-----	-----
Miscellaneous items.....	75, 000. 00	75, 000. 00	75, 000. 00	-----	-----
Reporting hearings.....	15, 000. 00	15, 000. 00	15, 000. 00	-----	-----
Special committees.....	40, 000. 00	40, 000. 00	40, 000. 00	-----	-----
Telegraph and telephone.....	60, 000. 00	60, 000. 00	60, 000. 00	-----	-----

Stationery-----	60,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00	-----	-----
Postage for officers-----	1,150.00	1,150.00	1,150.00	-----	-----
Automobile for Speaker-----	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	-----	-----
Folding speeches-----	12,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	-4,000.00	-----
Services, various compilations-----	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	-----	-----
Services, contested-election cases-----	4,000.00	-----	-----	-4,000.00	-----
Total, House of Representatives-----	7,511,318.10	7,526,303.06	7,526,851.86	+15,533.76	+\$548.80
CAPITOL POLICE					
Salaries-----	73,820.00	73,820.00	73,820.00	-----	-----
Contingent expenses-----	200.00	200.00	200.00	-----	-----
Purchase of uniforms-----	3,750.00	3,750.00	3,750.00	-----	-----
Total, Capitol police-----	77,770.00	77,770.00	77,770.00	-----	-----
JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING					
Salaries-----	10,190.00	10,190.00	10,190.00	-----	-----
LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL					
Salaries and expenses-----	50,000.00	50,000.00	50,000.00	-----	-----
Statement of appropriations-----	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	-----	-----

* Includes \$2,750 in H. Doc. 656.

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ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL					
Architect's Office, salaries-----	\$31, 052. 80	\$31, 572. 80	\$31, 052. 80	-----	—\$520. 00
Elevator conductors-----	72, 960. 00	72, 960. 00	72, 960. 00	-----	-----
Capitol Building, repairs, etc. (includes \$5,000 in second deficiency act)-----	81, 740. 00	100, 735. 80	99, 235. 80	+\$12, 495. 80	—1, 500. 00
Decorations in Senate wing, restoration----	5, 000. 00				
Capitol Grounds:					
Care and improvement-----	69, 918. 00	74, 792. 20	74, 792. 20	—125. 80	-----
Replacement of drains-----	5, 000. 00				
Extension of, clearing, etc-----	-----	\$ 20, 000. 00	20, 000. 00	+20, 000. 00	-----
Grounds, enlargement of (second defi- ciency act)-----	1, 331, 958. 37	-----	-----	—1, 331, 958. 37	-----
Repairs to Senate and House garages, etc--	1, 500. 00	1, 500. 00	1, 500. 00	-----	-----

Senate Office Building:					
Maintenance, etc-----	89,413. 80	}	87,854. 00	87,854. 00	-16,499. 80 -----
Special furnishing (second deficiency act)-----	7,440. 00				
Furniture, etc., for-----	7,500. 00				
House Office Building:					
Maintenance, etc-----	97,217. 00	}	107,610. 20	107,610. 20	-8,106. 80 -----
Fire protection (second deficiency act)-----	18,500. 00				
Capitol power plant:					
Lighting Capitol, etc-----	244,011. 60	}	384,906. 00	384,906. 00	-27,027. 60 -----
Steam transmission line (second deficiency act)-----	30,000. 00				
Fuel, oil, cotton waste, etc-----	137,922. 00				
New turbine, etc-----			210,000. 00	210,000. 00	+210,000. 00 -----
Library Building and Grounds:					
Salaries-----	37,184. 00		42,860. 00	42,860. 00	+5,676. 00 -----
Trees, shrubs, etc-----	2,500. 00		2,500. 00	2,500. 00	-----
Repairs, miscellaneous supplies, etc---	12,500. 00	}	23,300. 00	23,300. 00	+8,300. 00 -----
Painting interior, Library Building---	2,500. 00				
Furniture, etc-----	12,000. 00		19,000. 00	12,000. 00	-7,000. 00 -----

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Object	Appropriations for 1927	Estimates for 1928	Amount recom- mended in the bill for 1928	Increase (+) or de- crease (-), bill com- pared with 1927 appropriations	Increase (+) or de- crease (-), bill com- pared with 1928 Budget estimates
ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL—continued					
Library Building and Grounds—Contd.					
Ventilation, north and south book- stacks-----	\$12, 000. 00	-----	-----	-\$12, 000. 00	-----
Furniture, etc., bookstack in north- east court-----	13, 000. 00	-----	-----	- 13, 000. 00	-----
Card catalogue cases-----		\$12, 000. 00	\$12, 000. 00	+12, 000. 00	-----
New bookstacks in northeast court-----	400, 000. 00	-----	-----	-400, 000. 00	-----
Total, Architect of the Capitol-----	2, 722, 817. 57	1, 191, 591. 00	1, 182, 571. 00	-1, 540, 246. 57	-\$9, 020. 00
BOTANIC GARDEN					
Salaries-----	77, 544. 00	86, 507. 00	79, 417. 00	+1, 873. 00	-7, 090. 00
Repairs and improvements-----	47, 300. 00	57, 800. 00	47, 800. 00	+500. 00	-10, 000. 00
Total, Botanic Garden-----	124, 844. 00	144, 307. 00	127, 217. 00	+2, 373. 00	-17, 090. 00
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS					
Salaries-----	518, 585. 00	\$ 570, 745. 00	559, 765. 00	+41, 180. 00	-10, 980. 00
Copyright Office, salaries-----	165, 640. 00	\$ 175, 100. 00	175, 100. 00	+9, 460. 00	-----

Legislative reference service-----	61, 530. 00	⁷ 63, 650. 00	63, 650. 00	+2, 120. 00	-----
Card indexes, distribution of-----	102, 364. 00	⁸ 118, 010. 00	118, 010. 00	+15, 646. 00	-----
Temporary services-----	3, 000. 00	3, 000. 00	3, 000. 00	-----	-----
Sunday opening-----	13, 125. 00	13, 125. 00	13, 125. 00	-----	-----
Increase of the Library-----	95, 000. 00	105, 000. 00	105, 000. 00	+10, 000. 00	-----
Purchase of books for law library-----	3, 000. 00	3, 000. 00	3, 000. 00	-----	-----
Books of reference, Supreme Court-----	2, 500. 00	2, 500. 00	2, 500. 00	-----	-----
Printing and binding-----	305, 000. 00	315, 000. 00	305, 000. 00	-----	-10, 000. 00
Contingent expenses-----	10, 000. 00	10, 000. 00	10, 000. 00	-----	-----
Library Building:					
Salaries-----	107, 702. 00	120, 402. 00	120, 402. 00	+12, 700. 00	-----
Sunday opening, extra services-----	3, 550. 00	3, 740. 00	3, 740. 00	+190. 00	-----
Special and temporary services-----	500. 00	500. 00	500. 00	-----	-----
Contingent expenses-----	7, 000. 00	7, 000. 00	7, 000. 00	-----	-----
Expenses, trust fund board-----	500. 00	500. 00	500. 00	-----	-----
Total, Library of Congress-----	1, 398, 996. 00	1, 511, 272. 00	1, 490, 292. 00	+91, 296. 00	-20, 980. 00

⁵ Includes \$1,440 in H. Doc. 627.⁶ Includes \$2,220 in H. Doc. 627.⁷ Includes \$360 in H. Doc. 652.⁸ Includes \$6,360 in H. Doc. 652.

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GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE					
Office of Public Printer, salaries-----	\$156, 453. 00	\$2, 500, 000. 00	\$2, 500, 000. 00	—\$56, 453. 00	-----
Printing and binding for Congress and working capital-----	2, 400, 000. 00				
Superintendent of Documents:					
Salaries-----	382, 050. 00	420, 000. 00	420, 000. 00	+37, 950. 00	-----
Furniture and fixtures, etc-----	188, 400. 00	180, 000. 00	180, 000. 00	—8, 400. 00	-----
Total, Government Printing Office--	3, 126, 903. 00	3, 100, 000. 00	3, 100, 000. 00	—26, 903. 00	-----
Total, regular annual appropria- tions-----	17, 834, 119. 57	16, 428, 970. 76	16, 382, 429. 56	—1, 451, 690. 01	—\$46, 541. 20
Permanent annual appropriations:					
Library of Congress-----	800. 00	800. 00	800. 00	-----	-----
Total, permanent annual and regu- lar annual appropriations-----	17, 834, 919. 57	16, 429, 770. 76	16, 383, 229. 56	—1, 451, 690. 01	—46, 541. 20